GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES
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INDUSTRIAL CLUSTERS
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Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a): the total amount earmarked for setting up industrial clusters for expansion and development of Small Scale Industries during the current financial year;

(b): whether the Government has received any proposal from the State Government particularly Government of Bihar for setting up new clusters; and

(c): the details thereof and the progress made by the industrial clusters selected earlier in the country particularly in Bihar, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES & AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD)

(a): The Government (in the Ministry of Small Scale Industries) operates a scheme named Small Industries Cluster Development Programme (SICDP) to assist modernization and technological upgradation, marketing, training, etc., of the small scale industry clusters. The budget grant for the SICDP for the current financial year (2006-07) is Rs. 43.91 crore. The Government also operates the Integrated Infrastructure Development (IID) Scheme under which new clusters and upgradation of existing industrial estates are supported. The budget grant for IID Scheme for 2006-07 is Rs. 19.00 crore.

(b): While the SICDP deals with existing small industry clusters, under the IID Scheme new clusters could be set up. During 2005-06, two proposals, one each from Mizoram and West Bengal, have been approved under the IID Scheme. No proposal has been received from the State of Bihar.

(c): The State-wise list of small industry clusters selected in the country under the SICDP is annexed.